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1. The Commander of the Air Force, General Polynia, wears a Russian uniform (four stars on the shoulder). He is about forty to forty-four years of age. He does not speak Polish. He was seen at an officers' conference in March and on the occasion he spoke in Russian on subjects which had little or nothing to do with air force matters, but dealt with the political situation, e.g., on the reasons for Soviet officers being in Poland, on the proper attitude of the Army towards the government, and on the beneficial effects of Soviet influence for Poland. He appears to be intelligent; he is very popular with officers of Russian origin and has the reputation of having conducted air force operations in a very clever manner.
2. The Political Education Deputy is Colonel Minorski, about whom little is known.
3. The Chief of Staff of the Air Force Command, General Romeyko, admits his Polish origin, but speaks very poor Polish; he wore a Soviet uniform for some time, but now wears a Polish uniform. It is possible that Romeyko is in charge of the organization of the Chief of Staff's Headquarters.
4. The chief of the Personnel Department is Major Kosevnikov. The entire personnel bureau is manned by Soviet officers only.
5. Details of the personnel composition of the organization of the Supplies Department are not known. The task of this department consists of supplying materials, uniforms, spare parts, fuel, etc..

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6. Airfield Battalions.

These are directly under the Supplies Dept. of the Air Force Command and are assigned only to divisions and regiments. They are composed of battalion commanding officer and his deputy plus a variable number of company companies (according to whether the battalion is servicing an Air Regiment or Division). Tasks: protection of the airfield and quartermaster duties (Paymaster, Uniforms, Rations, Technical, Armament, Billings etc. Section).

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